# NWS Requirements For Collecting, Distributing, And Archiving WSR-88D Level II Data

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## NWS WSR-88D Level II Data Archive Requirements

- Support Atmospheric Research, Radar Algorithm Development, Radar Training And Other NWS Needs
  - Legacy Tape Recorders Become Unsupportable This Summer, As Anticipated
  - NWS Planned Actions To Continue To Meet Requirements
    - Recorder Replacement Funds Used To Implement NWS Level II Network
  - Advantages:
    - Greater Data Availability At NCDC
    - Increased Timeliness Of Data Availability From Archives
      - NCDC Anticipates Data Will Be Available For Request Within 24 Hours

### NWS Near Real Time WSR-88D Level II Data Requirements

- New Requirement
  - Support National Centers For Environmental Prediction (NCEP)
     Operational Needs For Level II Data In Near Real Time
  - 1-Minute Latency
    - As Measured From Time Data Reaches A Radar's BDDS To When The Data Reaches the Univ. of MD Server
    - "Desk Top" Estimates Show The Latency To Be ~10 sec.
    - As With RPCCDS, NWS Hopes To Exceed These Requirements
  - 95% Availability
    - As Measured By The Monthly Amount Of Data, Entire Network, Reaching The Univ. of MD Server, When The Radars Are Operational
    - As With RPCCDS, NWS Hopes To Exceed These Requirements

## NWS Near Real Time WSR-88D Level II Data Requirements

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- Data From All CONUS Sites Required
  - NWS Plans To Meet These Requirements Via Proposed NWS Level II Data Collection And Distribution Network
    - NWS Plans For Interim Operational Capability (End Of 2003)
      - All NWS CONUS Sites (121) And The Following DOD Sites

_	DOD WSR-88D Site	Host WFO
_	Altus AFB, OK	Norman, OK
_	Columbus AFB, MS	Jackson, MS
_	Holloman AFB, NM	El Paso, TX
_	Vance AFB, OK	Norman, OK

#### NWS Near Real Time Level II Data Requirements

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- Data From All CONUS Sites Required
  - NWS Plans To Meet These Requirements Via Proposed NWS Level II Data Collection And Distribution Network
    - NWS Plans For Full Operational Capability (End Of 2004)
      - All NWS CONUS Sites (121) And The Following DOD Sites

_	DOD WSR-88D Site	Host WFO
_	Altus AFB, OK	Norman, OK
_	Cannon AFB, NM	Albuquerque, NM
_	Columbus AFB, MS	Jackson, MS
_	Dover AFB, DE	Wakefield, VA
_	Dyess AFB, TX	Fort Worth, TX
_	Eglin AFB, FL	Mobile, AL
_	Fort Drum, NY	Burlington, VT
_	Holloman AFB, NM	El Paso, TX
_	Robbins AFB, GA	Atlanta, GA
_	Laughlin AFB, TX	New Braunfels, TX
_	Vance AFB, OK	Norman, OK